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the validity of the [redacted] officer's comments cannot be verified, there are some current hostility indicators that could cause concern:

Cancellation of Saudi King Faisal's trip to Brazil. The Saudis feel there is "something in the air".

Recall of some Egyptian air force, army, commando, and navy reservists -- reportedly being called up for the period 14 to 19 December 1974.

Egyptian cancellation of "collective" leaves for air force formations beginning 21 December 1974 and continuing until further orders of the Air Force Commander.

Increased equipment readiness of an Egyptian artillery brigade of the 7th Infantry Division of the Third Army.

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[redacted] the Arabs would launch hostilities in face of current diplomatic efforts to resume positive negotiations. While the Soviet diplomat's war warning may be idle cocktail circuit talk, it is noteworthy that a Russian intelligence warning to the Arabs of an alleged Israeli build-up may have been one of the sparks that set off the Arab-Israeli War of 1967.

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